

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Claims 1-37 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 38-54 are added. The following is the status of the claims of the above-captioned application, as amended.

Claims 1-37 (Cancelled.)

Claim 38. (New.) A coated enzyme particle comprising a coating comprising a solid coating material and a gas phase component applied to a core particle comprising an enzyme.

Claim 39. (New.) The particle of claim 38, wherein the gas phase component constitutes at least 20 % by volume of the coating material.

Claim 40. (New.) The particle of claim 38, wherein the gas phase component constitutes at least 40 % by volume of the coating material.

Claim 41. (New.) The particle of claim 38, wherein the gas phase component constitutes at least 60 % by volume of the coating material.

Claim 42. (New.) The particle of claim 38, wherein the gas phase component constitutes at least 80 % by volume of the coating material.

Claim 43. (New.) The particle of claim 38, wherein the coating material including the gas phase component has a true density below 0.8 g/cm^3 .

Claim 44. (New.) The particle of claim 38, wherein the gas phase component is confined within a light sphere.

Claim 45. (New.) The particle of claim 38, wherein the coating comprises one or more matrix materials selected from the group consisting of waxes, polypeptides, and carbohydrate polymers.

Claim 46. (New.) The particle of claim 45, wherein the wax is a polyethylene glycol.

Claim 47. (New.) The particle of claim 45, wherein the polypeptide is selected from the group

consisting of gelatine, collagen, casein, chitosan, polyaspartic acid and polyglutamic acid.

Claim 48. (New.) The particle of claim 45, wherein the carbohydrate polymer is selected from the group consisting of pectin, starch, modified starch, cellulose, modified cellulose, carrageenan, gum Arabic, acacia gum, xanthan gum, locust bean gum and guar gum.

Claim 49. (New.) The particle of claim 38, wherein the gas phase component is atmospheric air.

Claim 50. (New.) The particle of claim 38, wherein the gas phase component is carbon dioxide.

Claim 51. (New.) The particle of claim 38, wherein the gas phase component is nitrogen.

Claim 52. (New.) The particle of claim 38, wherein the gas phase component is a noble gas.

Claim 53. (New.) A detergent composition comprising the particle of claim 38.

Claim 54. (New.) A dough composition comprising the particle of claim 38.